## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Diez, et al : Date: February 17, 2009

Group Art Unit: 4143 : IBM Corporation

Examiner: P. Shaw : Intellectual Property Law

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR : Rochester, MN 55901

AUTHENTICATING SERVERS IN A DISTRIBUTED APPLICATION

ENVIRONMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action mailed November 14, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: